

PAC NOTES
12 JANUARY 2016

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ABSENT: STACY SIGMAN

1. Corps Foundation update

- Greg did not join our call due to late notice.
- Enduring Service announcement is going out in upcoming January newsletter with applications due April/May. Then reviews to make selections.
- The EKIP grant agreements are being signed at Libby and Ouachita
- Pat Barry has been posting volunteer coin awards. Most recent posting was Gerri Helligass from Allatoona.

2. EIP / Volunteer

- Nomination reviews – Marklesburg (NAB) is winner. Albeni Falls (NWS) is second in scoring.
- April 4 doesn't work for Mr. Belk to present. Week of May 9 is option for presentation but not PAC meeting. Week of June 20 could be both. **Heather will coordinate with HQ to find a good time to fit into everyone's schedule.**
- Marilyn's (CENRF) scores were much higher than everyone else's, but she was not provided the scoring reference sheet. For next year we (PAC) need to provide the score sheet to the Foundation rep.
- Nominations appear to be going down in numbers. We had good volunteer numbers but the EIP was not well represented. How do we improve the numbers of nominations? There were a few packages that were submitted without district/division routing and not in compliance with requirements.
- Maybe there are too many nominations and the significance is being watered down. We need to find a way to motivate lakes to nominate.
- Scoring for volunteers should be adjusted to lessen the value of bringing in partners. This should be a volunteer award and not worry about the time they spend trying to partner with others.
- For volunteer Hugh Clark from LRP is the winner, Jim Tichnel from NAB is second.
- If we can work out getting the EIP scheduled with the PAC team meeting, Shenango could be done in conjunction. It's about 2 hours from Raystown to Shenango.
- Miriam will begin putting certificates together and getting the award. **Allen will provide the logo for the MVFD.**

3. Handshake Updates

Nothing to update.

4. CA toolkit

Stacy will send the revised draft to the team to send along to the CA's from December notes.

5. Prospect

- **Bay Model planning**
 - icebreaker suggestions due by February meeting
 - MIPR information provided to Huntsville. Hotels should be reserved.

- Field trip being finalized with Charlie Fenwick. Teachers should review sessions to be prepared. **Heather will send the schedule for instructors to review.**
- **FY17 – Little Rock AR,**
 - Class is planned Oct 31 – Nov 4 2016. Host site could not accommodate the class but may be able to host December 12-18. There may be an adjustment of dates for this class.
 - It may be possible to use the Little Rock district office computer lab. **Titus is checking that location for the October dates.**
 - Heather feels it's better to have class on the alternate dates than to totally cancel.
- **Caesar Creek OH. Possible shortening of class to M-Th** –Caesar Creek is Jun 12 – 16, 2017. No news for now.

6. Cooperative Agreement SOP

- All comments have been received. Heather sent documents forward for review. Expect a long process before anything is returned.

7. ATB / Volunteer passes

- Sell them as of January as updated EP went into effect.

8. Ranger Conference participation

- Taylor is on agenda for January in Sacramento.
- Heather is on agenda for SPD, SWD, SAD, Portland district.

9. Gateway pages updates ongoing

- Stacy 1/3 completed with CA pages
- Alana is done with Economy Act and Military with edits to Ginny
- Heather sent an update to the Handshake Pages resulting from a Prospect Class suggestion.
- Allen has finished Handshake and is working on Challenge Partnerships
- **Continue to work on these as available**

10. Webinar schedule (101 and volunteer... need dates) –

- Stacy will be next Wednesday, 1/20 for Partnerships 101. Invitation will go out to participate later today.
- Titus will be doing volunteer on March 9 at 10:00 CST
- Heather working on recruiting partners to present webinars

11. National Cooperative Agreement for Conservation Corps. Document is now sitting in Ft. Worth awaiting signatures. Work order process is being clarified. Once the agreement is in place, we will start with a few pilot test projects to work through the procedures. After we have a few going, we will open up the call for more work orders. If projects want interns for the summer, they should set up their own separate agreements this year. Still a lot of unknowns for future.

12. Next call – February 18, 11:00 EST